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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 2, 2003. In the Restriction Requirement, election was required between Group I: Figs. 1-5 and 7-13; and Group II: Fig. 6.

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement, but provisionally elects Group I: Figures 1-5 and 7-13, for prosecution on the merits. Applicant believes that claims 1-13 and 16-20 read on Group I. Applicant understands that all claims shall be eligible for prosecution on the merits upon the allowance of a generic claim. Moreover, Applicant

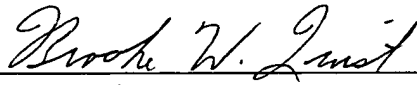
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respectfully reserves the right to file one or more divisional and/or continuing applications claiming the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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